

Nine Sins that will Destroy a Marriage

Marriage is a gift from God for the purpose of showing _____ to the world.

Just because you may be _____ in your life or your marriage doesn't mean that God isn't going to use it.

Romans 8:27-28; James 1:2-4

Marriage is _____ and always has been.

Genesis 3:12; Ephesians 4:26-27

A Christ honoring marriage was God's _____ from the _____.

Genesis 2:24

The _____, the _____, and the _____ want to destroy your marriage and your testimony.

1 John 2:16; Genesis 3:1-7

Lack of _____ will destroy marriages.

A lack of _____: living _____.

Proverbs 14:16

_____ causes marriages to be destroyed.

Proverbs 27:4

_____ the other person is a cause of marital division.

A _____, _____ tongue will tear the soul out of your marriage.

Colossians 3:19

Instead of harshness, pour _____ and _____ onto the other person.

Romans 12:10; Philippians 2:3

A lack of _____ will cause marriage issues.

A lack of submission is a declaration of _____.

Isaiah 16:6

Submission flows from a _____ for God.

Ephesians 5:21

_____/_____ - _____ will alienate others.

A _____ self-assessment is vital for every growing Christian.

Romans 12:3

A _____ spirit is key to a good marriage.

James 4:6; 1 Peter 5:5

_____ is a wall which hinders good communication.

Defensiveness is very unlike _____.

Isaiah 53:7; Acts 8:32-33

Defensiveness is my declaration that _____ will not _____ me so I must defend myself

Hebrews 13:5-6; Psalm 62:6-8 ESV

Alone, and without other help, God is the _____ and _____ of my safety. He is my defense. Not my defender only, but my actual protection. I am secure because he is faithful.

Spurgeon, C. H. 1993. *Psalms*. Crossway Classic Commentaries. Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books.

_____ is the foundation for keeping a record of wrongs which will create great barriers in a marriage.

Unforgiveness is the belief that others must _____ for the sins that they have committed against _____.

Romans 12:17-21

A forgiving spirit is founded on the belief that my _____ has been _____ and therefore I must forgive others.

Matthew 6:14-15

When we choose unforgiveness, we act more like _____ than _____.

Revelation 12:10

_____ brings _____ into the relationship.
Bitterness, like unforgiveness, _____ over God and others.
James 3:14–15; Romans 3:13–14

Bitterness reveals the _____ of a person not living in the _____ of God.
Hebrews 12:15

Confidence in God's _____ in the lives of people should also keep us from becoming resentful and bitter when we are treated _____ or maliciously by others. Bitterness usually stems not so much from the other person's actions as from the effects of those actions on our lives.

Bridges, Jerry. 1988. *Trusting God*. Colorado Springs, CO: NavPress.

Lack of _____ in the revealed Word of God will result in _____ in the marriage.

The _____ is man's ultimate authority for life.

Hebrews 4:12–13

The Bible is not meant to be interpreted _____ but _____ and carefully for godly living.

2 Timothy 3:16–17

Without submission to the Word of God, we are left _____ and without a _____.

Psalms 119:105; Proverbs 6:23

Only trying to win the _____ of someone will always end in _____.

The _____ of _____ will always motivate us serve the wrong god.

Proverbs 29:25; Luke 12:4–5

Loving _____ and _____ others is the key to peace in the home.

Matthew 22:37–40

When you fear man and not God, you are not standing on _____ ground but _____ sand. As Proverbs states, the fear of man is a snare and can dilute our convictions faster than any external force.

Dumas, Dan. 2012. "Pastor's Perspective: The High Cost of Ambivalence." *Tabletalk Magazine*, July 2012: *Drawing the Line: Why Doctrine Matters*, 2012.

_____ and _____ will destroy a marriage.

Sinful anger or rage is a lack of _____ - _____.

Proverbs 29:11; Genesis 4:6–7

True righteous anger seeks a _____ to problems.

Ephesians 4:25–27

Nothing will foul up your ability to communicate effectively with your wife (or anyone else for that matter) more than _____. ...But remember: Even righteous anger can be expressed sinfully when principles of biblical communication are not followed.

Priolo, Lou. 1999. *The Complete Husband: A Practical Guide to Biblical Husbanding*. Amityville, NY: Calvary Press.

_____ will degrade a Christian marriage.

Christians should _____ their _____ to bring glory to God.

Ephesians 5:4

Filthiness has to do with general _____, any talk that is _____ and disgraceful.

MacArthur, John F., Jr. 1986. *Ephesians*. MacArthur New Testament Commentary. Chicago: Moody Press.

Matthew 12:35–37

Christian speech should seek to _____ others for the glory of God and their good.

Psalms 19:14; Titus 2:7–8